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**48TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2008**

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FOR THE LEGISLATIVE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR EXPANDED HEALTH PROFESSIONAL  
RECRUITMENT, RETENTION AND EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. APPROPRIATION.--

A. One million seven hundred fifty-six thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,756,500) is appropriated from the general fund to the following departments for expenditure in fiscal year 2009 and subsequent fiscal years to fund expanded health professional recruitment, retention and educational opportunities:

(1) to the higher education department in the following amounts:

(a) one million dollars (\$1,000,000) to fund the health professional loan repayment program;

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1 (b) two hundred fifty thousand dollars  
2 (\$250,000) to fund the medical student loan for services  
3 program;

4 (c) one hundred six thousand five hundred  
5 dollars (\$106,500) to fund the western interstate commission  
6 for higher education program; and

7 (d) one hundred thousand dollars  
8 (\$100,000) to fund a program assisting nursing faculty in  
9 obtaining higher degree levels; and

10 (2) three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000)  
11 to the department of health to fund the health service corps.

12 B. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining  
13 at the end of a fiscal year shall not revert to the general  
14 fund.